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MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

16 October 1959

Present: Mr. Charles Paine, State  
Mr. Richard Bauer, Army  
Mr. Gerald Cooney, Army  
Lt. Robert Bathurst, Navy  
Mr. Henry Holz, Navy  
Maj. George Kudravetz, Air Force  
Maj. Elias Bacha, Air Force  
[redacted] NSA  
Mr. J. J. Bagnall, Chairman, CIA

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Consultants:

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1. Minutes:

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Minutes of the 14th meeting were approved. [redacted]  
requested that paragraph 2d read "CODIB representative."

2. Report on ChiCom Publications

The Chairman announced completion of a report for the  
Committee on the Current Value of Chinese Communist Publications by  
[redacted] A copy is attached.

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3. Transmittal of Publications

The Committee noted that an agreement had been made with Army  
on handling "Liberation Army Pictorial," a Chinese periodical. [redacted]  
[redacted] The publication will be translated by the Army Liaison  
Officer and disseminated as an Army Intelligence Report.

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4. Emergency Planning

The Chairman is representing this Committee in the four briefing  
sessions of the USIB Steering Group on Emergency Planning. The Chairman  
requested that each member transmit his agency's contribution for the

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Emergency Planning paper by 1 November so that a coordinated Emergency Planning report can be circulated to the members before the November meeting.



6. USSR Nonscientific Program

STATE

They are interested in all of the current USSR nonscientific reports except USSR Industrial Equipment, USSR Materials and Materials Processing Equipment, and USSR Electronic and Precision Equipment. They find the remainder very useful and do not recommend any changes.



Regarding the current program, Army wants a wider coverage of military tactics if the information is available. They are least interested in the Consumer Goods and Domestic Trade in the USSR report. Mr. Bauer added that Army is interested in provincial press coverage of economic information, but was told by [ ] that better information is received in the central press rather than provincial newspapers. Army is very happy with the remaining reports in the program.

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NAVY

Navy is not interested in the Agriculture, Crime, and Labor reports. The Soviet Military Information Report, USSR Electronic and Precision Equipment, and Transportation, Communications and Electric Power in the USSR are useful. Navy concurred with Army in a need for all available information on strategy and tactics in the Military Report; all available material on measuring devices is desirable; and more specific information on transmitting procedures, particularly the Arctic areas.

AIR FORCE

Air is pleased with the program and had no suggestions for changes.

NSA

Crime and Legal Developments in the USSR is the only report on the USSR which NSA makes no use of. The Agriculture, Urban Development, Soviet Education, Consumer Goods, and Economic Planning reports are second priority; the remaining reports are of first priority to them and no changes are recommended.

AEC

AEC telephonically concurred in the current program as it is being reported.

CIA

CIA felt that all the reports were of value and should be continued, but made the following suggestions:

- a. The Report on USSR Ministries should be an ad hoc report due to the problems of manpower and source material.
- b. They would like to see the time factor improved, if possible, on Soviet Military Information Report.
- c. Chronology in the Survey of the Soviet Press is not needed.
- d. They would like to see a de-emphasis of national level aggregate figures and greater emphasis on the local detailed information.

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e. Would like biographic information down to and including plant directors or managers included in the reporting.

f. Would also like an increase in photo coverage in the Urban Development in the USSR report.

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[ ] announced that a new report, to be published as an [ ] titled State Structure in the USSR, would be out in two to three weeks. This will cover the general administrative organization.

The Chairman added that there is a high CIA need for increasing emphasis on Sino-Soviet relations and these developments will be carefully watched and reported.

7. The meeting adjourned at 1530 hours. The next meeting will be held 13 November 1959 in Room 1121 M Building.

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Secretary

Enclosures:

1. CEFIP-A-14
2. Report on the Current Value of Chinese Communist Publications

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A G E N D A

Conference Room - 1121 M Building  
Friday, 13 November 1959 at 1400 hours

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1. Minutes of the fifteenth meeting.
  2. Emergency Planning

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